

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF RHODE ISLAND**

**APPLICATION FORM
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE
(2004)**

Type or legibly print your answers. If a question is not applicable, indicate this by marking "N/A."
If additional space is needed to complete an answer, attachments may be included but must be organized in proper numerical sequence.

GENERAL:

1. Full Name: _____
2. All other names by which you have been known: _____
3. Office address: _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Telephone _____
4. Residential address: _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Telephone _____
5. Place of birth: _____
Date of birth: _____
6. Length of residence in state: _____
7. If you are a naturalized citizen, state the date and place of naturalization.

8. Spouse's Name: _____
Spouse's Occupation: _____
9. Children's Names: Ages: Occupations:

10. Military service:

Branch _____

Dates _____

Rank or Rate at Discharge

Type of Discharge

If still a reserve or national guard member, give service, branch, unit, and present rank.

11. Are you related by blood or marriage to any judges of this court? Yes ___ No ___

If yes, give name(s) and relationship _____

HEALTH:

12. What is the present state of your health? _____

13. a) Have you in the last 10 years (i) been hospitalized due to injury or serious mental or physical illness or drug or alcohol addiction, or (ii) been prevented from working or otherwise incapacitated for a period in excess of ten days due to injury or illness, drug or alcohol addiction? Yes ___ No ___

If yes, give the particulars, including the causes, the dates, the places of confinement, and the present status of the conditions which caused the confinement or incapacitation.

b) Do you have any visual or hearing impairment or other mental or physical impairment that would affect your ability to perform the duties of a magistrate judge? Yes ___ No ___

If yes, please describe the impairment and how your impairment could be accommodated to allow you to perform the duties of a magistrate judge.

c) Do you have any other disability, serious illness or condition that would affect your ability to perform the essential functions of the position of magistrate judge?

Yes ___ No ___

If yes, please describe: _____

EDUCATION:

14. Colleges and universities attended, dates, and degrees:

15. Continuing legal education courses completed within the last 10 years:

HONORS:

16. Were you a member of law review? Yes No ___

If yes, describe role: _____

17. If you have published any legal books or articles, list them, giving citations and dates:

18. List any honors, prizes, or awards you have received:

PROFESSIONAL ADMISSIONS:

19. List all courts (including state bar admissions) and administrative bodies having special admission requirements in which you are presently admitted to practice, giving the dates of admission in each case:

Court or Administrative Body	Date of Admission
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

LAW PRACTICE:

20. State the names, addresses, and dates of employment for all law firms with which you have been associated in practice, all government agencies, and all private business organizations in which you have been employed. Also provide all dates during which you have practiced as a sole practitioner.

Organization	Address	Position	Dates
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

21. Describe the general nature of your current practice including any legal specialties and character of your typical clients; also, if your practice is substantially different now than previously, give details of prior practice. _____
- _____
- _____
- _____

22. a) Do you appear regularly in court? Yes___ No___

b) What percentage of your appearances in the last five years were in:

- | | |
|------------------------------------|---------|
| 1. Federal Courts | _____ % |
| 2. State or local courts of record | _____ % |
| 3. Administrative bodies | _____ % |
| 4. Other | _____ % |

23. During the past five years, what percentage of your practice has been trial practice? ____%

24. How frequently have you appeared in court? ____ times per month.

25. How frequently have you appeared at administrative hearings? ____ times per month.

26. What percentage of your practice involving litigation has been:

Civil _____ %

Criminal _____ %

Other: _____ %

_____ %

_____ %

_____ %

_____ %

27. State the number of cases you have tried to conclusion in courts of record during the past five years, indicating whether you were sole, associate, or chief counsel. Give citations of any reported cases. _____

28. Summarize your courtroom experience for the past five years. _____

29. State the names and addresses of adversary counsel against whom you have litigated your primary cases over the past five years: _____

PUBLIC OFFICE:

30. Have you ever run for, or held, public office? Yes____ No____

If yes, give details. _____

PRIOR JUDICIAL EXPERIENCE:

31. a) Have you ever held judicial office or been a candidate for judicial office?

Yes ___ No ___

If yes, state the courts involved and the dates of service, or dates of candidacy:

- b) Prior quasi-judicial service:

Name of agency _____

Position held _____

Hearings on what types of issues _____

Number of cases adjudicated _____

Dates of service _____

BUSINESS INVOLVEMENT:

32. a) If you are now an officer, director, or otherwise engaged in the management of any business enterprise, state the name of such enterprise, the nature of the business, the nature of your duties, and whether you intend to resign such position immediately upon your appointment to judicial office. _____

- b) Since being admitted to the Bar, have you ever engaged in any occupation, business, or profession other than the practice of law? Yes ___ No ___

If yes, give the details, including dates. _____

- c) During the past five years, have you received any fees or compensation of any kind, other than for legal services rendered, from any business enterprise, institution, organization, or association of any kind? Yes ___ No ___

If yes, identify the source of such compensation, the nature of the business enterprise, institution, organization or association involved, and the dates such compensation was paid.

33. a) Have you ever been arrested, charged, or convicted for violation of any federal law, state law, county or municipal law, regulation, or ordinance? Yes ___ No ___
If yes, give details. (Do not include traffic violations for which a fine of \$200 or less was imposed unless it also included a jail sentence.) _____

- b) Have you, to your knowledge, ever been under federal, state or local investigation for possible violation of a criminal statute? Yes ___ No ___

If yes, give particulars. _____

34. a) Have you ever sued or been sued by anyone? Yes ___ No ___

If yes, give particulars. _____

- b) Have you or your professional liability insurance earner ever settled a claim against you for professional malpractice? Yes ___ No ___

If yes, give particulars, including the amounts involved. _____

35. Have you ever been charged in any civil or criminal proceedings with conduct alleged to involve moral turpitude, dishonesty, or unethical conduct? Yes ___ No ___

If yes, give particulars. _____

36. a) Have you ever been disciplined or cited for breach of ethics or unprofessional conduct by any court, administrative agency, bar association, or other professional group?

Yes ___ No ___
If yes, give particulars. _____

b) Are any charges or complaints alleging a breach of ethics or unprofessional conduct currently pending before any court, administrative agency, bar association, or other professional group? Yes ___ No ___

If yes, give particulars. _____

37. Have you filed appropriate tax returns as required by federal, state, local, and other government authorities? Yes ___ No ___

If no, explain. _____

38. Have any liens or claims ever been instituted against you by the federal, state or local authorities? Yes ___ No ___

If yes, explain. _____

PROFESSIONAL AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

39. a) List all bar associations and legal professional societies of which you are a member and give the titles and dates of any office you have held in such groups and committees to which you belonged. _____

b) List all organizations and clubs, other than bar associations and professional societies identified in response to question 39(a), of which you have been a member during the past ten years, including the titles and dates of any offices you have held in each such organization. _____

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

40. State any achievements or actions you have accomplished demonstrating your commitment to equal justice under the law. _____

41. State any additional education or other experiences you believe would assist you in holding judicial office. _____

42. State any other pertinent information reflecting positively or adversely on you which you believe should be disclosed to the District Court and the Merit Selection Panel in connection with your possible nomination as United States Magistrate Judge.

43. a) List three individuals as references who are familiar with your abilities.

Name _____
Address _____
Telephone _____

Name _____
Address _____
Telephone _____

Name _____
Address _____
Telephone _____

b) List three different individuals as references who are familiar with your personal character.

Name _____
Address _____
Telephone _____

Name _____
Address _____
Telephone _____

Name _____
Address _____
Telephone _____

CONFIDENTIALITY STATEMENT

This form will be kept confidential and will be examined only by members of the Merit Selection Panel and the Judges of the District Court. The individuals whom you have listed as references above may be contacted by the panel, but no other employers, colleagues, or other individuals will be contacted without your prior approval.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on:

Date _____ Signature of Candidate _____

- * Candidates should submit an original application and seven (7) copies to Chief Judge Ernest C. Torres, Federal Building and Courthouse, One Exchange Terrace, Providence, RI 02903.**